The Men's Garden Club of Baton Rouge, which for several years has been considered the official hibiscus show of the year, held its annual show at the Community Center on October 14, 1956. The hibiscus display included many cans filled with blooming plants and five tables of beautiful blossoms.

Even though the distance prevents Mr. Moles or any of his representatives from attending all of our quarterly meetings, he has assured us that the Louisiana Chapter will be represented at the annual Spring Meeting 1957.

Putnam County Chapter, Mrs. Marion F. Melville, Chairman, Box 137, Pomona Park, Florida. Regular monthly meetings of this chapter were held September 9th and October 7th, 1956. During our September meeting we held an open discussion of our August 19th Hibiscus Show and wish to thank each and every one who helped us make our show the success that it was.

We experimented in our show with a new method of preparing specimen blooms at the Nomenclature table prior to placing them in racks for judging and we believe that our method expedites the registering and placing of blooms.

Our National Secretary attended our October meeting on her way home after assisting the North Florida Chapter with its organization. We were given a very interesting resume of the activities of the new chapter in Jacksonville and it made us realize the competition we will have when "Show-time" rolls around again.

The Chapter will hold its November meeting at the home of Mrs. Alyne Dampier in Orange Mills. This will be in the nature of a testimonial party honoring Miss Ruth Stuart Allen who recently gave the chapter permanent possession of her trophy which was won by our chapter at the International Show in Orlando July 31, 1955.

Two new members in September and five in October: Also five Junior Judges qualified for the spring and summer hibiscus shows.

Mid-Florida Chapter, Mrs. Paul Goodman, Chairman, 1699 Lakeside Drive, Orlando, Florida. The Chapter voted at its last meeting in October to hold its 1957 Hibiscus Show on the second Sunday in September.

Our Chapter has been having a most successful drive for members this fall, having enrolled a total of twenty six (26) new members during August, September and October - a grand total of seventy one (71) members. With the amending of its by-laws to provide for a meeting each month (heretofore)the months of December and January had been excepted), the group is enthusiastically setting up committees and planning long range projects to carry forward the work of the Society. Preparation of a yearbook (the Chapter's first) is an activity of special note, and continued enthusiastic study of bloom identification and horticultural methods holds the interest of all. Particularly well received was the talk given by. Mr. Atwood Teagle at the October Meeting of the Chapter, and the appreciation of the group was wholehearted.

The Mid-Florida Chapter at its October Meeting went on record as being willing to sponsor a non-competitive Show (or elaborate bloom display) in connection with the annual meeting of the American Hibiscus Society,